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Applicants : Toshiro TSUCHIDA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3713

Appln. No. : 09/986,586

Examiner: C.M. Marks

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For : Video Game Apparatus and Control Method Thereof, and Program of
Video Game and Computer-Readable Recording Medium Having
Program Recorded Thereon

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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of January 21, 2004, in which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 21, 2004, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Reply.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this Reply.

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